

## Department of Administrative Services Division of Professional Regulation Delaware Board of Cosmetology & Barbering

## **NEWS BULLETIN**

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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SHOP REGISTRATIONS**

The Division of Professional Regulation is responsible for registering beauty salons, barber shops, nail salons, electrology establishments, schools of cosmetology, barbering, nail technology or electrology, in accordance with 24 <u>Del</u>. <u>C</u>. Section 5117. This registration is in addition to any personal licensure requirements. By registering shops, consumers are assured that business owners have complied with Delaware law to protect their health, safety and welfare.

Earlier this year, the division sent business owners notices and requested they comply with the law and register their business. This was a new requirement and it caught most people by surprise. The division received many phone calls and even though there are more than 1,000 business in our state, only 310 submitted their applications for approval at the Board of Cosmetology and Barbering board meeting which was held on July 15<sup>th</sup>.



This response rate is well below the division's expectation of 100% compliance. In August, the division sent "second notice" letters to cosmetology establishments that are still not registered. If you are currently working in one of these establishments, you need to make sure that it is registered with the division. Shops that are registered will receive a certificate that must be displayed where it can be seen by customers. A listing of registered establishments will also be placed on the division's www.professionallicensing.state.de.us. The division will be conducting site visits to check for shop registration and professional licensees of employees.

If your shop is not registered, please complete this process without further delay. If you have questions about the registration process, please contact Gayle Melvin, administrative specialist to the Board, at 744-4518 or visit our website for registration requirements.